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of great advances in prices,

Our Immense Stock is of Great Advantage

to our patrons, as we do not raise our prices until stock bought before the raise is all sold.

DURING JULY WE INTEND TO
STILL FURTHER REDUCE OUR
STOCK IN EVERY LINE.

FURNITURE, CARPETS AND CROCKERY.

Old prices will prevail. This is not idle talk, but hard facts.

C. E. CRAWFORD.

SUMMER SPECIALTIES
—ALL FOR THE BATH!

OUR LANA OIL TOILET SOAP doubles the delight of your bath. Of sound, pure fats, no free Alkali, delightful perfume, it's ideal for toilet or bath. 3 cakes 25 cents.

BATHING SPONGES, soft as a fleece of wool, firm as velvet. 10 cents to a dozen—as to size.

BATH BRUSHES—For real business, some people say there's nothing like 'em. We've some good ones.

A FEW DROPS OF OUR TOILET COLOGNE in your bath or after your bath, delight the senses and freshen you up. Florida, Violet, Sweet Briar, Lavender. 4 ounce bottle 25 cents.

OUR TOILET TALCUM POWDER, none better—plain or perfumed 10 cents.

McMonagle & Rogers, 30 North St. and 155 North St., (North Side Pharmacy).

IMPORTANT.

For the next ten days we will make a reduction on all Upholstered Furniture.

Parlor Suits, Couches, Rockers.

Every piece new this spring.

The Cheapest Place in the City.

FRANCE & HATHAWAY, 25 AND 27 EAST MAIN STREET.

FLOUR!

Washburn, Crosby & Co., \$4.25 a barrel.

Granulated Sugar 5½ cents a pound.

Beef Sugar 5 cent a pound. Dairy Butter 18 cts. a pound. Cream Cheese 12c. a pound. Best Maracaibo Coffee 17c. a pound.

Black, Green or Mixed Teas 35c. a pound.

SLOAT'S CASH STORE.

THE COMMON COUNCIL

Much Business Done at Monday Night's Meeting.

THE LIGHTING CONTRACT LAID OVER

Sewer ordered on Academy Avenue, After Much Discussion—Bill for Legal Services Late over A Claim for Damages—Other Matters.

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The lighting discussion commenced when the clerk read the recommendation of the Business Men's Association and the Mayor's veto, with an accompanying memorandum to the effect that the city attorney would not say that a two year contract was legal and acting on what he considered his duty he would not approve the two year contract at \$9,000 a year.

Alderman Large Baston took the first attack at the object. Said he:

"I was informed, to-day, that the Mayor had vetoed the resolution to give the lighting to the gas company for a term of two years. I was asked what I would do now. I replied that if the Mayor gave a good plausible reason for not doing so, I would hardly bow. But, I don't hear any plausible reason from him. Because he and the attorney think we cannot do it is not enough. When we passed that resolution we six who voted for it had the best interests of the city at heart. We are limited to \$9,000 this year to light the streets. We must keep within that limit, and the only thing to do is to give it to that company. The Mayor has not proved to me that it is not right. I cannot see where it can be wrong. The gas company must give security for the fulfilling of its contract for the term awarded to them. The city is perfectly safe. I am acting in the interest of the city and I think the resolution was the only sensible way. I haven't been enlightened by the Mayor's memorandum. His reasons are flimsy."

Then Alderman O'Neal, of the Second Ward, took the floor and said:

"There are others who have the city's interests at heart as well as the alderman from the First Ward. When the sum of \$9,000 was put in the budget to light the city the gas company knew it. They thought they had the city or its representatives in their hands, so they declined to make the rate the same as last year, but would do so if they had a two year contract.

The motion of Mr. Deacon the superintendent of streets will make water and sewer connections on West Main street from the square to James street, where the property owners have already indicated to comply.

A sewer basin will be placed at Prospect and Myrtle avenues.

The cost of the Courtland street sewer is found to be \$106.25, and it will be assessed on the properties benefited.

On motion of Mr. Barnes the city will purchase a sample of shale of A. E. Goddroy.

On the recommendation of Chief Higham and the fire committee, Wanklin's parade truck will be varnished and the service truck repaired at a cost of about \$15. Excelsior's truck was ordered varnished with two coats at a cost of about \$50. Phoenix's carriage was ordered repaired at a cost of \$25.

The street superintendent was instructed to trim trees along sidewalks to a height of ten feet. Mr. Reid said he got in hot water before, when the committee ordered it done, and he wanted to be sustained.

Maps presented by Mr. Harris for a sanitary sewer on Prospect avenue and the Wister avenue curbing were accepted.

After the bills were audited the council took a recess till July 18.

BILLS AUDITED.

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SPINAL DR. MILLS' Nerve Plaster.

the motion, but Alderman Wood opened a sudden, unexplained and rapid opposition to the sewer. There was considerable discussion about plans, and then the sewer was unanimously ordered constructed, to run under the Monongah brook and connect with the Fulton street sewer. A cut of thirteen feet will have to be made in places in order to do so, and it will be quite an expensive sewer, for which the properties benefited will be assessed.

The next matter which the aldermen hesitated over was a bill from Hon. W. J. Groff for \$250 for services in the defense of the Royston suit against the city. Attorney Wiggin was empowered to get needed legal assistance and Mr. Groff was his chosen assistant. Alderman Large Baston remarked significantly: "Take heed, never do so again." It was finally referred to the law committee. Mr. Barnes asked: "What is expected of the committee?" Mr. O'Neal—"Do its duty."

Mr. Lawrence—"The law committee should get together and talk about some time."

Thomas S. Lane and Charles Keener, the park commissioners, asked the council to give them about \$150 more to complete the wire fence on the south side of Thirl Park. It was referred to the committee on parks.

The Council was informed that a child of James S. Mitchell, who resides in Elton, and who won in Waywanda avenue, fell off the bridge on that thoroughfare into the brook, and received a cut on the head, on June 29, and is still under the care of a physician. Thos. Watts, who has been retained by the parents, wrote that the matter could probably be adjusted. It was referred to the law committee with power to act.

Chief Higham's reports were received and confirmed. The report of the city clerk and collector was read and Alderman Wood moved that it be placed on file. The president corrected him: "I am not the one who voted for it." Then the Mayor gave a good plausible reason for not doing so. I want to know why not. When we passed that resolution we six who voted for it had the best interests of the city at heart. We are limited to \$9,000 this year to light the streets. We must keep within that limit, and the only thing to do is to give it to that company. The Mayor has not proved to me that it is not right. I cannot see where it can be wrong. The gas company must give security for the fulfilling of its contract for the term awarded to them. They thought they had the city or its representatives in their hands, so they declined to make the rate the same as last year, but would do so if they had a two year contract.

The store building in Bloomingburgh, owned by Smith W. Evans, now of Brooklyn, and occupied by Coleman & Benedict as a meat market, caught fire, about 2 o'clock this (Tuesday) morning, and was entirely destroyed.

The house adjoining also owned by Mr. Evans, and separated from the market by a driveway about ten feet wide, was saved with difficulty and was quite badly damaged. The house is occupied by William Coleman and B. F. Baker.

The village has no department, but a bazaar brigade was organized, which did most effective work or the house could not have been saved.

Nothing is known as to the origin of the fire.

It is understood that both Mr. Evans and Coleman & Benedict are partially insured.

The bachelors had secured a wagonload of best from the Swift refrigerator, Monday night, and it was ruined in the fire.

ON A DRIVING TRIP.

Two Well Known Middletowners and Their Wives Riding Through Sullivan.

Louis G. Wilson and B. B. Williams and their wives started, this morning, at 4 o'clock, for an extended driving trip through Sullivan county. They planned to have dinner at the Rockwell of Montello, to-day, and will stop at Liberty, to-night. They will visit the Lempke Lake Club, fish a little and remain there for a day or two. They will visit Ellenville on the return trip, stopping for a day or so with Harry Mitchell, and may strike the Hawley House at Chester before returning.

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Made from pure cream of tartar.

Safeguards the food against alum.

Aleum baking powder is the greatest menaces to health of the present day.

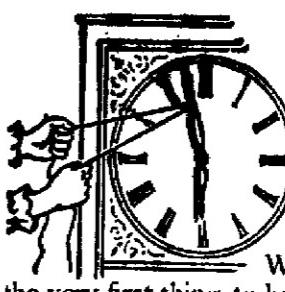
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Procrastination.

Steals time, and everything that time ought to be good for.

Possibly it keeps you from using Pearline. You know from others of its ease and economy—but you're "putting it off."

Why not begin the use of Pearline with the very first thing to be washed or cleaned—your face and hands, say. Pearline hurts nothing; cleans everything.



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NOW USE Pearline

FOR YOUR FIRST CHOICE.

FOR YOUR CHOICE AT 79c.

FOR ALL THAT SOLD FORMERLY UP TO \$1.75 EACH, AND AT \$1.25 YOU GET THE \$2 SO SORT. THESE ARE ALL NEW GOODS OF THE CELEBRATED "DERBY" MAKE. DON'T DELAY YOUR INSPECTION.

SILK WAISTS AT \$3.50 AND \$3.90, REDUCED FROM \$4.50 AND \$5.

CARSON & TOWNER,

No. 11 West Main Street, Telephone 166.

WE HAVE HAD A NUMBER OF CALLS, THIS SEASON,

FOR A

Silk Seat Piano Box ROAD

WAGON AT A LOW PRICE.

There are plenty of them on the market, but we have the best, the most reliable, the best made, the most popular, the most economical. We have made arrangements with a representative manufacturer in this State to build us a wagon at a price that will stand the test of time and wear, and it is proposed to do so.

Rich Field of Copper.

TORONTO, July 11.—It is announced that copper ore of almost incredible extent and richness has been found in the Parry sound district within about seven hours' railway distance of Toronto. This discovery was due principally to an American mining expert named Barber, who has, for many years past, one-manually explored the entire coast of the Great Lakes and the other composed of Canadian and St. Paul iron, which have secured all of the claims in the neighborhood and have commenced operations on an extensive scale. The result of the operations of these companies will prove to be almost if not quite equal to the great Anaconda.

Equable Treatment For Shippers.

CHICAGO, July 11.—After considering the matter four days, the presidents of all the big railroads between Chicago and the Atlantic seaboard have agreed that on and after Aug. 1 Chicago shippers must pay from 3 to 5 cents more on every pound of grain transported by rail.

The motto of *The Three-Week World* is improvement. It strives each year to better than it was the year before, and public confidence in it is shown by the fact that it now circulates more than twice as many papers every week as any other newspaper, not a daily, published in America.

We offer this unequalled newspaper and the *Miner* together one year for \$2.

The regular subscription price of the two papers is \$2.50.

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First-Class Work Guaranteed.

PRICES ALWAYS RIGHT.

If we are prepared, as never before, to furnish the wedding or other invitations, as very moderate rates.

MERCHANT TAILORING.

Perfect Fits, Best Workmanship and Reasonable Prices.

One line of samples of all the latest styles of coats from stock to make selections.

I have always pleased and satisfied my customers, and was never in error prepared to serve them.

Orders collected from old and new customers.

STEPHEN WOLF,

17 James St., Opposite Russell House

WANTED TO BUY.

5 More Feather Beds Before Saturday.

TELEPHONE 112.

Mott's Nervine Pills

The great remedy for nervous prostration and all nervous diseases of the generative organs.

B.E. Purging, Interfering and knee-knocking caused by rheumatism; sciatica, neuralgia, cramps, &c.

E. H. GREGORY.

Programme This Week at Cottage Theatre, Mechanicton.

Music, Victoria, Diana, Song and dance; Emma Gichard, semi-comic. Two Griffiths, comedy. Dances, dueling, dancing and acrobatic spectacles; last night's comedy sketch, Under the Gaslight.

JACOB GUNTHER.

Fine Wines, Liquors and Cigars

Assembly Room for Halls and Entertainments—Masonic Hall.

STERN'S

Here are Some of Our Special Leaders, Which Cannot Be Equalled.

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Spring Jackets in great variety. Ladies' Tailor Made Suits—

We carry over 75 in stock. If you are in need of a nice Misses' Suit, come in. We do not charge a big price; sell them cheaper than you can have them made. Silk, Satin and Washable Shirt Waists; also a full line of Separate Skirts. The Millinery Department is now complete. We have our full force of milliners, so you need not wait. We employ only first-class milliners, and make every hat in our store; no misrepresenting. Established 21 years.

Franklin National Bank to Close.

NEW YORK, July 11.—The fourth and final meeting of the Franklin National bank's stockholders to consider the proposition to go into voluntary liquidation was held yesterday. It was decided to give up business on Aug. 1.

Floods in Illinois.

TRIPOLI, Austria-Silesia, July 11.—In consequence of the recent storms the rivers in eastern Silesia are overflowing their banks, and considerable damage has been done to the crops.

Dr. William Indian Pine Pill Company is present for Pill and Ointment. Send for circular. Address, N. Y.

NERVITA MEDICAL CO., Chicago, Ill.

For Sale by J. C. Chambers, Druggist, No. 6 North Street, Middletown, N. Y.

NERVITA PILLS

Restores Vitality, Lost Vigor and Rashness.

Cures Impotency, Night Emissions and wasting diseases; all effects of self-abuse, or excess and indiscretions.

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TIME CARD.

Eric Railroad, James Street Station.

WESTBOUND—

Daily—6:47 a. m. 10:56 a. m., 12:16 p. m., 1:34 p. m., 11:39 p. m.

Daily except Sunday—10:41 a. m., 11:25 a. m., 1:10 p. m., 3:49 p. m., 5:00 p. m., 6:49 p. m., 8:10 p. m., 10:25 p. m.

Sunday—only 10:26 a. m., 3:11 p. m., 10:25 p. m.

Hall Holiday (Sat.) 12:55 p. m.

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Two Regiments of Veterans to Be Formed.

ONE THOUSAND MEN PROMISED.

About Sixteen Hundred Recruits Will Be Enlisted in the United States to Fill the Ranks. Many Ready to Go.

WASHINGTON, July 11.—Under date of Manila, July 9, Major General Otis telegraphed to the adjutant general as follows:

"Two veteran regiments assured. Will enlist about 1,000. You can appoint 11 second lieutenants for first and nine for second regiment to recruit in the United States. All other offices filled. Regiments styled First and Second Phillips United States veteran volunteers in-fantry."

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